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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR RESERACH EQUIPMENT FOR YUGOSLAVIA

1. MISSION HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY AUSTRIAN TRADING FIRM "GOTELE" FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING U.S. EXPORT LICENSE FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT ORDERED ON OCTOBER 30, 1974 FROM REUTER-STOKES, CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR USE AT JOZEF STEFAN INSTITUTE, LJUBLJANA, YUGOSLAVIA:

A. ONE MODEL RS-C1-2514-115 COMPENSATED IONIZATION CHAMBER WITH ONE MODEL RSE 8-1 HOUSING.

B. ONE MODEL RSN-312-M4 NEUTRON PROPORTIONAL COUNTER (NEW MODEL NUMBER RS-C3-2403-114).

2. LATTER ITEM REPORTEDLY CONTAINS COATING OF ABOUT TWO MILLIGRAMS 93 PERCENT ENRICHED U-235. IONIZATION CHAMBER NOT RPT NOT KNOWN TO CONTAIN SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR EXPORT LICENSE WERE SUBMITTED WITH END-USE STATEMENT AND IMPORT CERTIFICATE (DOC CASE NUMBER 164257). APPLICATION FOR AEC(NRC)
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LICENSE FOR PROPORTIONAL COUNTER CONTAINED END-USE

STATEMENT.

4. EXPORT LICENSE FOR A GAMMA IONIZATION CHAMBER ALSO ORDERED AT SAME TIME WAS SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED.

5. IN DECMEBER 1975, "GOTELE" RECEIVED TELEX FROM REUTER-STOKES NOTING THAT DOC/NRC WERE WITHHOLDING ACTION ON EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS DUE TO LACK OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH YUGOSLAVIA, AND THAT "AT THE REQUEST OF YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT A 'SUPPLY AGREEMENT' FROM THE IAEA IS NECESSARY."

6. SUBSEQUENT TELEX DATED MARCH 2, 1976 FROM REUTER-STOKES STATES THAT NRC DENIED APPLICATION FOR EXPORT LICENSE AND WILL NOT BE PROCESSED FURTHER BY U.S. GOVERNMENT, AND FURTHER, THAT YUGOSLAVIA HAS NOT SIGNED "BILATERAL AGREEMENT FOR NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFEGUARDS." (SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SMALL QUANTITY OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL INVOLVED WOULD BE EXEMPTIBLE FROM IAEA SAFEGUARDS.)

7. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED (A) WHETHER AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IS ESSENTIAL RPT ESSENTIAL FOR TRANSFER OF TWO MILLIGRAM QUANTITY OF MATERIAL INVOLVED IN CASE OF PROPORTIONAL COUNTER, AND (B) OF BASIS FOR WITHHOLDING EXPORT LICENSE FOR COMPENSATED IONIZATION CHAMBER.

8. FYI. YUGOSLAV OFFICIAL AT JOZEF STEFAN INSTITUTE HAS ALSO FOLLOWED UP REQUEST FROM "GOTELE" WITH PHONE CALL TO MISSION PLEADING FOR HELP ON THIS MATTER, NOTING, INTER ALIA, THAT YUGOSLAVIA HAD SIGNED NPT AND HAS ACCEPTED IAEA SAFEGUARDS. END FYI.

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